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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 16, 2004 and June 7, 2002, Applicants hereby submit a copy of a Chinese Office Action dated June 10, 2005, together with an English language translation of the same, with respect to patent family member Chinese Patent Application No. 02106930.1, in which the following documents were cited:

Chinese Patent Publication No. CN 1146121, together with patent family member European Patent Publication No. EP 0 756 424.

The relevance of the document, as ascertained by the Chinese Examiner is set forth in the Chinese Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto

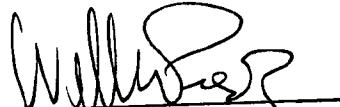
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and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of the Chinese Office Action and translation thereof are also attached. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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